

ABSTRACT

A television receiver in which ^athe summary of an electronic mail can be displayed along with a television picture. A ^{central processing unit (CPU)}CPU 1 receives an electronic mail by an electronic mail function via a modem 4 adapted for connection to an external mail server and extracts the summary of the electronic mail by a summary extraction function to write the electronic mail summary ⁱⁿon a display memory 7. The CPU 1 causes the summary of the electronic mail to be superimposed on the television picture by a superimposing function of a television receiving unit 6 to display the electronic mail summary ~~on a display unit 9~~ along with the television picture.